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<u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 & § 1.98</u>

SIR:

In conformance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b)(3), the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention.

Five of the references were cited in the International Search Report of the corresponding PCT/US01/26398. Copies of these references and Search Report are enclosed. The remaining references have been considered in U.S. Application No. 09/553,234 (now patent no. 6,233,776 B1) of which this is a CIP.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear in the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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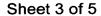
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